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In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-597 and 625-768 without prejudice.

The following lists all claims and their status:

1-597 (cancelled)

598. (original) A variable stride exercise apparatus, comprising:

a frame;

a crank system coupled to the frame;

a movable member coupled to the crank system, wherein the movable member can travel in a substantially curvilinear path during use of the apparatus;

a foot member coupled to the movable member, wherein the foot member and the movable member are configured such that the user of the apparatus can selectively control the path of the foot member;

wherein the apparatus is configured such that a foot of the user can travel in a substantially curvilinear path during use of the apparatus; and

wherein the apparatus is configured such that at least a portion of the apparatus remains substantially stationary during use.

599. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the movable member travels in a substantially curvilinear path during use of the apparatus.

600. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the apparatus is configured such that the foot of the user can also travel in a closed path during use of the apparatus.

601. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the apparatus is configured such that the foot of the user travels in a closed path during use of the apparatus.

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602. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the apparatus is configured such that the

foot of the user travels in a substantially curvilinear path during use of the apparatus.

603. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the foot member and the movable

member are configured such that the user of the apparatus, by varying the user's stride, can

thereby selectively vary a path of the foot member.

604. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the foot member and the movable

member are configured to allow the user of the apparatus to instantaneously vary the length of

the user's stride during use of the apparatus.

605. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the foot member comprises

a footpad, and wherein the variable stride system is coupled to the foot member such that at least

a portion of the variable stride system is under at least a portion of the footpad.

606. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a second foot member, wherein

the foot member and the second foot member comprise a left foot member and a right foot

member, and wherein the left foot member and the right foot member are cross coupled so that

the left foot member moves in opposition to the right foot member.

607. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the movable member is

coupled to the variable stride system through a roller.

608. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the movable member is coupled to the

foot member and the crank system.

609. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the movable member is coupled to the

crank system through a roller.

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610. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the foot member is coupled

to the crank system through the variable stride system.

611. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the foot member is coupled

to the movable member through the variable stride system.

612. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising an arm link coupled to the foot

member.

613. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising an arm link coupled to the foot

member, wherein the arm link is pivotally coupled to the frame.

614. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the variable stride system

comprises at least one roller, and wherein at least one of the rollers is configured to translate

along the cam surface of the cam device during use.

615. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the variable stride system

comprises a cam device, and wherein the length of the cam surface of the cam device is greater

than a crank diameter of the crank system.

616. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the variable stride system

comprises a cam device, and wherein the length of the cam surface of the cam device is at least

about 1.5 times a crank diameter of the crank system.

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(original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the variable stride system

comprises a cam device, and wherein the length of the cam surface of the cam device is at least

about 2 times a crank diameter of the crank system.

618. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the crank system comprises a pulley.

619. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the foot member and the movable

member are configured to allow the user of the apparatus to selectively vary the user's stride

length based on an amount of force applied by the user's foot during use of the apparatus.

620. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the variable stride system is

configured to provide a force that restores the footpad to a neutral position during use of the

apparatus.

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621. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a variable stride system

coupled between the foot member and the movable member, wherein the variable stride system is

coupled to the foot member such that a force from a majority of the weight of the user is applied

to the variable stride system.

622. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, wherein the apparatus is configured such that

articulation of the user's foot is controlled in combination with the user's stride length during use

of the apparatus.

623. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising a housing, wherein the housing

encloses at least a portion of the crank system.

624. (original) The apparatus of claim 598, further comprising an adjustment mechanism

configured to allow adjustment of the step height of the user.

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625-768 (cancelled).